

STATE OF WASHINGTON

HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD

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RESOLUTION NO. 03-10

WHEREAS, RCW 28B.110.040 and RCW 28B 15.465 require the Higher Education Coordinating Board to report every four years to the Legislature and Governor on gender equity in higher education, and to develop rules and guidelines to eliminate gender discrimination; and

WHEREAS. The Higher Education Coordinating Board, with the assistance of the state's public higher education institutions, has completed its 2002 review of gender equity in public higher education; and

WHEREAS, State law authorizes the use of tuition and fee waivers to achieve gender equity in intercollegiate athletics; and

WHEREAS, By June 2002, all institutions were to achieve a rate of female athletic participation within five percentage points of the representation of female students between the ages of 17 and 24 cmrolled full-time on the main campus; and

WHEREAS, Any institution that was not within the five percent requirement is to have a new plan achieving gender equity in intercollegiate athletic programs approved by the Higher Education Coordinating Board before granting further tuition and fee waivers after the 2002-03 academic year; and

WHEREAS, Eastern Washington University failed to meet the five percent standard and has since submitted a plan approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Western Washington University failed to meet the five percent standard but has since met the standard for the 2002-03 academic year and plans to ensure compliance through continued roster management in future seasons;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Higher Education Coordinating Board approves Western Washington University's gender equity plan for athletics.

Adopted:

April 23, 2003

Attest:

Bob Craves, Chair

at Stanford, Secretary